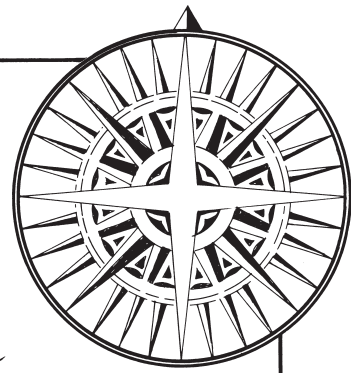




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Annual Dinner

Saturday November 4th

Avalon Ballroom

See page 3 for a reservation form to mail in
or

call Sheila directly to let her know you plan to come
She loves to hear from you!
You cannot waste her time!
SheilaCMC [at] comcast.net
303-554-7688

You may also pay at the door but it would be helpful to know what type of dish you plan to bring; see page 3 for the categories.

Winter BMS Clinics Now Open

It's that time of year again folks! Brush up those skills or tackle a whole new sport you've been wanting to try. Here is a list of what Boulder Mountain Schools (BMS) has to offer this winter season. All this information and more is available on the website, along with the registration forms to print out. Space is limited! Register soon so you don't get closed out; use the appropriate email address to respond. (Please note: email addresses altered to discourage spamming.)

WINTER SCHOOLS ORIENTATION AND SIGN-UPS

November 6, 2006 6:30pm

CMC Boulder Group clubroom

The purpose of this meeting will be to highlight the upcoming 2007 BMS Winter Clinics. Applications for all clinics will be available along with Q/A for all the clinics. Sign-ups begin for all schools (except AMS) at this meeting. Bring your checkbooks!

BASIC SNOW TRAVEL

email: snow [at] cmcboulder.org

Lecture: 11/28/06 Field Trip: 12/02/06 or 12/03/06 your choice

Price: \$25.00

Prerequisite: Hiking 1 or equivalent experience. Basic Snow travel skills are useful for Colorado peaks in late spring/early summer. This course covers how to safely ascend or descend a moderate snow slope using an ice axe, self-arrest and self-belay techniques, and other considerations for snow travel. Helmets

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Message from the State Office:

Membership Task Force Asking for Volunteers

The Board of Directors of the Colorado Mountain Club has reinstated a Membership Task Force. The purpose of the group will be to research present membership trends and needs. The goal is to develop recommendations which can further enhance the value of CMC membership. CMC Vice President Art Hogling will chair the group and he is seeking members to assist him in this project. Any interested member is welcome and Art is particularly hopeful those with membership service, marketing and research skills will join him in what he promises will be an interesting and productive task force. Our efforts are starting now. He can be reached through president [at] cmc.org. Thank you.

--contributed by Kristy Judd,
CMC Executive Director

Wild Films For Free

A series of films about conservation are free and open to the public. Showtime is 7 p.m. in the Foss Auditorium at the AMC, second Thursdays, and an optional, casual discussion will follow the presentation. The next film will be on November 9, 2006, "Yosemite: The Fate of Heaven." Robert Redford narrates this classic portrayal of one of the world's most visited natural places through the eyes of rangers, firefighters, naturalists, and trail workers. The film was a Blue Ribbon winner at the 1989 American Film & Video Festival. For more films, see the state website at cmc.org.

Two New Council Members

Several new positions on the Boulder Council have recently been filled, much to the Council's delight and relief. Please welcome Kirsten Kindt as Publicity and Gary Schmidt as the Safety Chair. Also, Brenda Leach agreed to be placed on the slate for Vice Chair to be voted on at the Annual Dinner. The Council is fortunate to have these experienced, qualified and enthusiastic new members. A hearty welcome to Kirsten, Gary and Brenda! □

Slate of Officers for Vote at Annual Dinner

Though this year's annual dinner will quite non-traditional in other respects, one important tradition will continue: voting on the new Council officers for the coming year; the nominees are:

Chair - Tom Wilson

Vice Chair - Brenda Leach

Secretary - Susan Flack

Treasurer - Paul Culnan

At Large - To be announced at the dinner.

BMS Committee Openings

Interested in become more involved in the organizational side of the Boulder Mountain Schools? BMS currently has a few openings and is looking for people to help lead in the organization of the school curriculums. The BMS committee is responsible for the organization and direction of all the schools within the Boulder Group. Current open positions include the following:

- Hiking School Director, responsible for organizing the school modules, contacting the lecturers and instructors, and student interface.
- Peak Trips Leader, responsible for bi-annual scheduling of peak trips and facilitating new peak trip leaders through the leadership process
- Instructor Development, responsible for helping develop school instructors
- Database Manager, responsible for maintaining the database of leaders for all the schools.

If you are interested in learning more about any of the positions, or other opportunities on the BMS committee, please contact Cindy Gagnon, BMS Director at [bms \[at\] cmcboulder.org](mailto:bms[at]cmcboulder.org). □

Website Updates at cmcboulder.org

- ▶ A reminder that you can upload your pictures to the website under menu item Groups/Share Your Photo. You could see your picture in the Action Photo of the Month!
- ▶ Get informed on all BCMC events with the online Calendar (under menu item Group/Calendar).
- ▶ Funding for setting up the online reservation system for the Brainard cabin was approved at the last Council meeting. Many thanks to the efforts of Tom Crosman, Peter Ruh and Otto for their efforts in doggedly pursuing this worthy objective. □

Volunteers Needed

Mailing party November 21

Come to the Clubroom and help mail out the December Compass! This is a relaxed way to meet people and give something back to your favorite club. The next issue will be ready to mail on Thursday, November 21, at 5:30pm, so please just drop in. Phone Sheila at 303-554-7688 for more information. □

Action Photo of the Month



This month's picture was submitted by Alan Chudnow. Here we see him nearing the summit of the First Flatiron, October 5, 2006, about to join Chris Endres. The photograph was taken by Jim Foley, using Alan's camera. Alan says "I like to send pictures back to my Mom to let her see what I'm up to." Thanks guys! Alan sent this in using the website's Group/Share Your Photo feature. Check it out and share *your* pictures, too!

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website: cmcboulder.org

We welcome announcements, articles, letters, artwork, and photos, especially from recent CMC trips and events.

Next Compass deadline: Nov 10

BMS Clinics, from page 1
and ice axes provided.

AVALANCHE LEVEL 1

email: avalanche [at] cmcboulder.org

Session 1: Lectures: 11/28/06 & 11/30/06
Field Trip: 12/02/06

Session 2: Lectures: 1/16/07 & 1/18/07
Field Trip: 1/20/07

Price: \$105.00

Introduction to avalanche awareness and safety, including identifying avalanche terrain, making good route finding decisions, performing field test to learn snow stability. Recognizing weather, terrain and snow-pack factors contributing to instability and learning fast and efficient transceiver rescue.

CROSS COUNTRY SKI CLINIC

xcski [at] cmcboulder.org

Lecture: 12/5/06

Field Trips: 12/9/06 and/or 12/16/06

Price: \$20.00

Class is for beginners (never skied) to intermediate skiers (have down-hilled and/or cross country but need some help improving). we stress diagonal stride, uphill and downhill techniques, and turns.

AREA TELEMARCK CLINIC

email: areatele [at] cmcboulder.org

Lecture: 1/3/07

Field Trips: 1/7/07 & 1/14/07

Price: \$60.00

For beginner to intermediate advance telemark skiers who want to learn more technique.

ICE CLIMBING SCHOOL

email: ice [at] cmcboulder.org

Lecture: 1/11/07

Field Trips: 1/20/07 or 1/21/07

Price: \$60.00

Prerequisites: BMS or BRS & SNOW

Intended for those who would like to gain exposure to the basics of ice climbing. Ropes, helmets and ice axes provided. □



Report on Third Flatiron Trail Conservation Project

On Saturday Sept. 23 the Flatirons Climbing Council's annual trail project took place on the approach to the Third Flatiron. The team from OSMP, headed by Craig Summers, selected that area for a project and chose the particular tasks we undertook. There were approximately 20 volunteers and 5 OSMP employees. The weather was perfect for trail work. We broke into three teams, working on different sections of the trail. Two teams worked on improving the trail through the talus section and one team worked on water bars lower down on a section that has poor drainage and is shaded, which caused icy conditions during the colder months. The project ran from roughly 9am to 2pm. OSMP was very pleased with the turnout and the work that was done. Many of the volunteers had considerable experience from prior trail projects.

Because of the number of other trail projects in September and the fact that the annual Trash Bash is in September, the FCC is looking into moving future trail projects to the Spring.

-- contributed by Thomas Isaacson

Editor's Note: See the Flatirons Climbing Council website (www.flatironsclimbing.org) for more information on their conservation projects. □

Member Photography Show at the AMC

The Annual CMC Member Photography Show will be open to the public on Thursday, November 30, 2006 and run through Saturday, December 9, at the club's state headquarters in the American Mountaineering Center in Golden. Save the dates! We look forward to seeing you! All CMC members are welcome to submit their best shots. For submission guidelines, see www.cmc.org/photocontest. □

CMC Brainard Cabin Activities, Past and Future

There will be a user and host training on Saturday, December 2, at the cabin from 10:00am till 3:00pm. Contact Otto Verdoner to sign up. 303-443-9883 or OttoV(at)csd.net. User training enables you to reserve the cabin; host training enables you open and close the cabin unaided. On Sep 30 and Oct 1 there was a terrific work party (below). More than 30 people hauled, split, and stacked 3.5 cords of firewood. The cabin and stoves and chimneys were cleaned. A new kindling bin was built, stained, and filled. High point was hoisting the cabin's refurbished sign back into place. The sign was taken down during the August work party, when the cabin's entire exterior was cleaned, oiled, and stained. (Sign refinishing, and photos: Ralph diPentino, CMC Denver.)

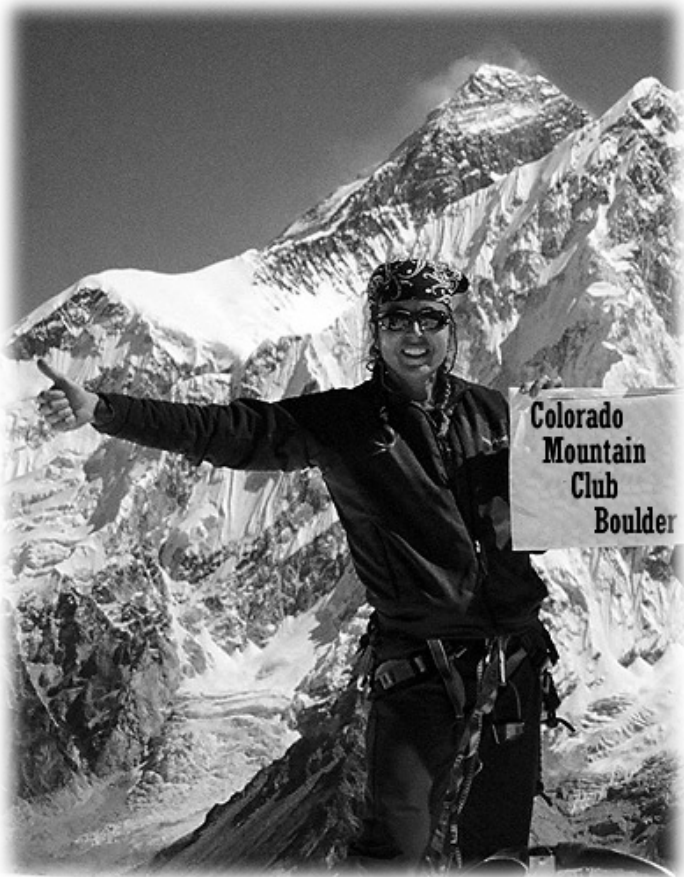


Colorado Mountain Club - Boulder Group Annual Dinner, Meeting & Party!

featuring

Everest – Zero to 60 through the CMC

Presented by Boulder Chair Tonya Riggs



**Saturday
November 4, 2006**

at the

Avalon Ballroom

6185 Arapahoe Road, Boulder

Admission - \$8

Food - Potluck, BYOB

Guests Welcome!

Evening Schedule

Social hour - 5pm-6pm

Dinner - 6pm

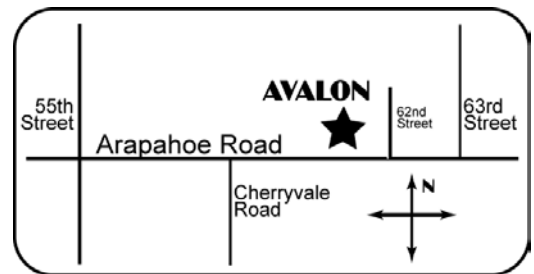
Annual Meeting - 7:15pm

BMS graduation - 7:30pm

Tonya's Presentation - 7:45pm

Dancing & Socializing - 8:30pm

CMC Boulder Club Chair Tonya Riggs discovered her passion for climbing and international mountaineering seven years ago. Since then, she has made up for lost time with climbing pilgrimages to Mt. Kenya in Africa, Ama Dablam in Nepal and high peaks in the Peruvian Andes, Italian Dolomites and Central Alps of Europe. Tonya will describe her activities leading up to her exciting climb of Mt. Everest in 2006. When Tonya is not climbing the high peaks, she is working as director of sales and marketing for Trango USA, a premier brand of technical climbing hardware.



CMC Boulder Group Annual Dinner Response **(Includes FREE raffle ticket!!)**

Please list names of people attending for name tags:

Number of people _____ @ \$8 each

Total Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Check box for your potluck (serves 4 to 8 people)

Entrée Salad Side Dessert

Please mail coupon with check to:

CMC Boulder Group

633 S. Broadway, Unit N, Boulder, CO 80305

November 2006 Trips

Monday, November 6

Boulder CMC Winter Schools
Lecture Orientation & Sign-up

This meeting will overview the upcoming 2007 BMS Winter Schools Session and allow students early sign-up if present. Clinics beginning sign-ups on this day include Avalanche level 1, Cross Country Skiing, Telemark Skiing, Ice Climbing, Winter Camping, Backcountry skiing, and Ski Mountaineering. Additional information on all schools can be found at www.cmcboulder.org. Bring your checkbooks if you plan on registering. Meet at CMC Boulder Group Club Room 6:30 pm. Cynthia L Gagnon, (303) 938-8564. (Trip#35930)

Friday, November 10

Advanced Mountaineering School
Lecture Application Deadline
Application Deadline for The Boulder CMC's advanced mountaineering course. This course covers trip planning, winter camping, ice climbing, glacier travel, and crevasse rescue. For the final field trip, students will plan and execute a winter overnight peak ascent. School consists of 6 lectures (1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13) and 4 field trips (1/27 or 1/28, 2/3 or 2/4, 2/10 or 2/11, 2/17-19.). Registration is via application only. Applications available on-line at www.cmcboulder.org and at the CMC Boulder Club room. Deadline for application is Nov 10. \$\$ Tom Wilson, (303) 247-1450. (Trip#35923)

Saturday, November 11

Saturday Social for Spirit & Sweat
Moderate A

The Saturday Social is a half-day hike with a social spirit and a sweaty end. We then try to warm up over some coffee or lunch. We meet at the Boulder CMC clubroom. Please arrive at 9:00 a.m. and help decide our destination. Come prepared to hike in any weather. Register with leader. Debbie Tewell, (720) 304-9572. (Trip#35875)

North Face Center

II Climb Cob Rock 5.7

Boulder Canyon
A short, but maybe wet, approach gets us to the start of this three-star classic on Cob Rock in Boulder Canyon. gsch [at] frii.net, 970-481-1048. Gary Schmidt, (970) 481-1048. (Trip#35885)

Friday, November 17

First Flatiron-Fandango I
Climb Flatirons 5.5
Six pitches of classic flatiron climbing. One long rappel gets you off. Limit 3. Expect a full day and early start. gsch [at] frii.net, 970-481-1048 Eldorado Springs. 60 mi. Gary Schmidt, (970) 481-1048. (Trip#35886)

Saturday, November 18

Saturday Social for Spirit & Sweat
Moderate A
The Saturday Social is a half-day hike with a social spirit and a sweaty end. We then try to warm up over some coffee or lunch. We meet at the Boulder CMC clubroom. Please arrive at 9:00 a.m. and help decide our destination. Come prepared to hike in any weather. Register with leader. Marilyn Fellows, (303) 499-6099. (Trip#35863)

Buttonrock Preserve
Easy B
Easy paced hike looping through Longmont's watershed with numerous opportunities for photography. This area is usually snow free through mid-December. Leader will point out several bouldering areas described on frangeboulder.com. Great views of Ralph Price Reservoir, Meeker, and Longs in this area north of Hall Ranch. Pinewood Spgs/Lyons. 5/1,400«. William (Tom) Crosman, (720) 494-1732. (Trip#35869)

Sunday, November 19

Mills and Jewel Lakes
Mod. Snowshoe On Trail
Snowshoe up drainages to two popular destinations in Glacier Gorge. McHenry's Pk. 6/700«. 140 mi. Louie Genduso, (303) 518-8948. (Trip#35870)

Friday, November 24

East Slab I Climb
The Dome 5.5
Boulder Canyon
Walk the bridge over Boulder Creek, then follow a disappearing crack on this short, fun climb in Boulder Canyon. 303-665-0888(h) 303-903-4517 (c) . Bruce Immele, (303) 903-4517. (Trip#35880)

Tuesday, November 28

Avalanche Level 1 Lecture
Lecture #1
Level 1 certifications is an Introduction to avalanche awareness and safety, including identifying avalanche terrain, making good route-finding decisions, & performing field tests to learn snow stability. recognizing weather, terrain, & snow factors contributing to instability, and learning fast and efficient traveceiver rescue. School consists of 2 lectures ,6pm-10pm, (11/28 & 11/30) and one field trip (12/02). Signup begins at the Nov 6. BMS Winter Field Trips Overview and Signup Meeting. \$\$ Meet at Mt Calgary Luthern Church, Boulder, Co 6:00 pm. Register with leader. Cynthia L Gagnon, (303) 938-8564. Pat O'Brien, (303) 926-9548. (Trip#35903)

Basic Snow School Lecture
Basic Snow school covering snow travel techniques, useful for Colorado peaks in late spring/early summer. Learn about safe ascent and descent of moderate snow slopes using an ice axe, self-arrest, and self-belay techniques, and other considerations for snow travel. Helmets and ice axes provided. Field trip on 12/2 or 12/3. Contact Dick Munro at his phone number, personal e-mail, or at [snow \[at\] cmcboulder.org](http://snow@cmcboulder.org). Richard Munro, (303) 499-1489, email: [dickmunro \[at\] gmail.com](mailto:dickmunro@gmail.com). (Trip#37108)

Thursday, November 30

Avalanche Level 1
Lecture #2
Level 1 certifications is an introduction to avalanche awareness and safety, including identifying avalanche terrain, making good route-finding decisions, & performing field tests to learn snow stability. recognizing weather, terrain, &

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Go-Lite Factory Warehouse Sale/Employment

I am in need of 40+ employees for the sale this time and we are expecting to have an even bigger turnout that last time around. The space is 2x as big as last year and we will be heavily advertising the sale! I will need plenty of help preparing for the sale starting on Monday, October 23rd – November 17th. We will be setting up the sale those 2.5 weeks before the sale and 1 week to get everything back to how it was before the sale...

So, please tell any of your friends who are interested in helping out during those time periods to email me at: mthompson [at] golite.com and let me know what

Compass ad rates

\$245	full page
\$150	half page
\$90	quarter page
\$55	eighth page
\$45	business card (2"x3")

- all ads are black and white
- ads must be prepaid and ready for printing; pdf format preferred.
- contact the Editor for information.

day(s) you are able to work. This is a killer opportunity to get some great holiday gifts at super cheap prices!!!
When: Friday, Nov 10-12
Hours of operation: Fri: 8am – 8pm; Sat and Sun: 9 – 5. Where: 6285 Lookout Road in Gunbarrel. This is across 63rd street on the West side of the road on the corner of the Diagonal Parkway and 63rd street in an empty office building. We will pay everyone \$10.00 per hour for all hours worked before, during and after the sale. Additional 25% discount off of the discounted price on anything in the sale. We will provide food and beer for all 3 days for all employees. You will be paid Sunday evening after 5pm
Thanks!

Mike Thompson
GoLite Customer Service Manager

6325 Gunpark Drive, Suite 102
Boulder, CO 80301
Phone (888) 546-5483
Fax (303) 546-6557

Rent the Clubroom!

Did you know you can rent the clubroom for your meetings? This realization dawned upon the Council at our last meeting. It had been done on rare occasions in the past, but with our current budget pressures, we want to get the word out about our facility, and try and bring in some bucks! We have a 70 seat capacity, wireless Internet connection at DSL speed, digital projection capability and great restaurants nearby. So get the word out to your organizations that might need this. Contact the clubroom (see page 2) for more information.